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Attorney Docket No. 401432

In re Application of: ALFRED WING KIN CHAN  
 Application No. 09/982,993  
 Filed: October 22, 2001  
 For: PIPE FITTINGS

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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116  
 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
 EXAMINING GROUP** 3679

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to an office action in the subject application.

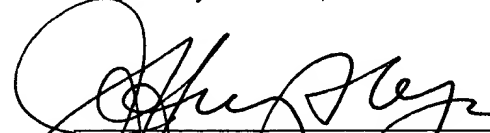
- ☐ Applicants claim small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☒ Petition for Extension of Time
- ☐ Applicants petition for a one-month extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136, the fee for which is \$110.00 (enclosed).
- ☒ Applicants believe that no petition for an extension of time is necessary. However, to the extent that such petition is deemed necessary, Applicants hereby petition for a sufficient extension of time to render the present submission timely. Please charge Deposit Account No. 12-1216 for the appropriate petition fee.
- ☒ No additional claim fee is required.
- ☐ Other:

The claim fee has been calculated as shown below:

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- ☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 12-1216 in the amount of \$ . A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$ is attached.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 12-1216. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.
- ☒ Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.
- ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 10, 2003, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

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